### ARTS EDUCATOR FELLOWSHIPS

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**DEADLINE**: March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

\$5,000 award to be used to enhance the teaching and/or artistic creativity of the applicant.

The Arts Educator Fellowship is a recognition award for exceptional teaching and personal mentoring of Alabama students within one or more of the arts disciplines as defined by the Alabama Course of Study, Arts Education. The cash award should be used to further the career of the artist educator, enhancing creativity in the arts and educational practice.

## **Eligibility:**

- Applicant must be a legal resident of Alabama and must have lived in the state for two years prior to application deadline date and is expected to maintain residency during the period of the grant award (Oct 1, 2020 - Sept 30, 2021)
- Applicant must be an Alabama arts educator that is currently employed and teaching in an accredited K-12 Institution located in Alabama.
- Applicant must hold a current position dedicated to teaching the arts at least half time.

#### Criteria:

- significant impact on the lives of students
- embodiment of the high standards within the arts discipline taught
- innovative programming design, as relevant to the student population
- commitment to inclusion, diversity, equity and access within classes and extra-curricular activities
- advocacy for the value of arts education among colleagues and school community

### **Application:**

Candidates must submit an online eGrant application prior to March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 PM. This application must include the following uploads:

- Resume Summary
- Detailed Inventory of all support materials
- Comprehensive/detailed professional resume

In addition to the eGrant submission, applicants are required to submit support materials for panel review along with an original signed copy of the Certification Page to arrive in the Council on the Arts offices no later than March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Support materials may be submitted digitally by email attachment to <a href="mailto:diana.green@arts.alabama.gov">diana.green@arts.alabama.gov</a>, or may be mailed on a flash drive along with the Certification Page. Please be sure you receive confirmation for the arrival of your support materials after sending. Support materials must include the following:

- Samples of student work: maximum 6 images, or 6 minutes of sound/video
- Three letters of support from persons familiar with the quality and impact of the
  applicant. Letters may be solicited from current or previous students, colleagues,
  administrators, and or adult family members of students. Letters should address
  excellence in the criteria listed above and must be mailed under separate cover, or
  emailed by the recommender as attachments directly to
  diana.green@arts.alabama.gov. Letters must arrive in the Council on the Arts offices no
  later than March 5<sup>th</sup>at 5:00 PM.
- A Statement of Education Philosophy from the applicant (one page maximum). May be submitted digitally or mailed with Certification.
- Applicant supplemental narrative (maximum 2 pages, 12pt type with 1 inch margins).
   Narrative should include a description of the student population impacted, as well as descriptions of curriculum, programming, strategies used for inclusion and advocacy, specific success stories or any relevant information (see criteria). May be submitted digitally or mailed with Certification.
- The CERTIFICATION form (downloaded from the eGrant system and signed) must be submitted as original through the regular mail.

## Mailing Address:

Arts Educator Fellowship Application Alabama State Council on the Arts 201 Monroe Street, Suite 110 Montgomery, AL 36104

Send email attachments to: diana.green@arts.alabama.gov

Please make sure you acquire and keep a copy of confirmation of receipt of attachments.